## **Private Remote Sensing System License Public Summary**

On January 4, 1993, the National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, issued or otherwise granted a License (the "<u>License</u>") to:

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to operate a private, commercial, space-based, remote sensing system named EarlyBird.

EarlyBird-1, a low-earth orbit electro-optical imaging satellite system, which was designed to collect 3 meter resolution panchromatic and 15 meter multispectral imagery at 468 kilometer altitude with 97.3 degree orbital location and sun synchronous inclination, was launched successfully on December 24, 1997, on a Start-1 rocket from Svobodny, Russia. However, the satellite failed on orbit four days later due to a problem with the onboard power system. Despite extensive efforts, the Company was unable to regain communications with the satellite. In April 1998, the Company declared the satellite a loss and used the insurance proceeds to help fund continuing construction of the QuickBird satellites. The Company decided not to proceed with the launch of EarlyBird-2, as the market window for 3 meter resolution had closed.

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